

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: _____

From: (Public Agency): State Coastal Conservancy

1515 Clay Street, 10th Floor

Oakland, CA 94612

(Address)

Project Title: Rancho Canada Floodplain Restoration Project

Project Applicant: GEOCON

Project Location - Specific:

Proposed pedestrian bridge east of Bridge 1 on the Rancho Cañada Unit of Palo Corona Regional Park, Via Mallorca Drive bridge, and Hacienda Carmel Levee in Carmel, Monterey County, California.

Project Location - City: Carmel

Project Location - County: Monterey

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project will perform three (3) exploratory borings and five (5) in-situ Cone Penetrometer Test (CPT) soundings using a truck- or track-mounted drill rig to evaluate subsurface conditions. Boring and CPT depths will range from 30-100 feet, depending on the conditions encountered.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: State Coastal Conservancy

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: GEOCON

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);

Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));

Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15306: Information Collection

Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is categorically exempt under 14 California Code of Regulations (CCR) 15306 (information collection) because it involves exploratory borings (e.g., basic data collection) that would be temporary for information gathering purposes. The project would not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Tom Gandesbery

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (510) 286-7028

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.

2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: Tom Gandesbery Date: 10/19/2022 Title: Project Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____